February 5, 1990 an intrusion had taken place in the R. S. Pura sector of Jammu & Kashmir across the international border.

(b) The intruders were repulsed.

(c) Government's deep concern and regret were conveyed to the Govt. of Pakistan;

(d) Government hope that such provocative, rash and dangerous actions would not be repeated.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED AND UNSTARRED QUESTIONS SET FOR THE 13TH MARCH, 1990

Detection of pollution in water tested under Ganga Action Plan

*1. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that analysis of water under Ganga Action Plan shows continued and increased pollution with fertilizers and pesticides;

(b) what is the number of samples tested for fertilizers and pesticides during the last two years and how many of these were above normal levels; and

(c) whether the analysis was conducted for all the pesticides in use in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) While pollution from fertilizers and pesticides in the Ganga water continues, an increasing trend has not come to notice.

(b) About 600 samples have been tested during the last two years for the presence of fertilizers and pesticides. In the case of fertilizers that were tested for, the levels are within permissible limits. In regard to pesticides, the analysis shows that the presence of pesticides that were tested for, were usually above acceptable levels.

(c) Only those pesticides were analysed which are commonly used, are persistent and of significant consequence to human and aquatic health.

Review of the technology missions

*2. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Technology Missions on Drinking Water, Immunisation, Literacy, Edible Oil and Rural Communication, launched by the previous Government have been reviewed;

(b) if so, what are the details of the achievements which have accrued to the Nation during the last five years and the benefits which are expected to accrue during the subsequent period; and

(c) whether Government are considering the winding up of the aforesaid Technology Missions.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) The progress and performance of Technology Missions have been reviewed periodically at Central and State levels through various mechanisms.

(b) The results as reported by various implementing Ministries are briefly given below:

--Drinking Water 1,23,761 problem villages have been covered as on December 1989 out of the

*The sitting of the Rajya Sabha on Tuesday, the 13th March, 1990 was adjourned on account of passing away of Shri Darbara Singh, Member Rajya Sabha. Answers to Questions put down in the lists for that day were laid on the Table of the House on Wednesday, the 14 March, 1990.